

2008  
NEVADA ELECTION CALENDAR – Initiative & Referendums  
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Nevada Revised  
Statutes (unless  
otherwise noted)

AUG. 1, 2007	<b><u>REFERENDUM PETITION</u></b> – (not earlier than August 1 <sup>st</sup> of the year before the election is to be held) First day a copy of a state referendum can be filed with the Secretary of State prior to circulation.	Nevada Constitution Art. 19, Sec. 1
SEPT. 1, 2007	<b><u>INITIATIVE PETITION TO AMEND THE NEVADA CONSTITUTION</u></b> - (not earlier than September 1 <sup>st</sup> of the year before the year in which the election is to be held) First day a copy of an initiative to amend the Nevada Constitution can be filed with the Secretary of State prior to circulation.	Nevada Constitution Art. 19, Sec. 2(4)
JAN. 1, 2008	<b><u>INITIATIVE PETITION PROPOSING A NEW STATE STATUTE OR TO AMEND AN EXISTING STATE STATUTE</u></b> - (not earlier than January 1 <sup>st</sup> of the year preceding the year in which a regular session of the legislature is held) First day a copy of an initiative petition proposing a new state statute or an amendment to an existing state statute can be filed with the Secretary of State prior to circulation.	Nevada Constitution Art. 19, Sec. 2(3)
MAY 20, 2008	<b><u>STATE REFERENDUM</u></b> – (not later than 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in May of an even numbered year) Last day to submit to County Clerk/Registrar for signature verification petition to have any statute or resolution enacted by the Legislature submitted to referendum vote of the people. All documents of the petition must be submitted at the same time.	295.056(4)
MAY 20, 2008	<b><u>INITIATIVE TO AMEND CONSTITUTION</u></b> – (not later than the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in May of an even numbered year) Last day to submit to County Clerk/Registrar for signature verification, petition proposing an amendment to the constitution. All documents of the petition must be submitted at the same time.	295.056(3)
JUNE 27, 2008	<b><u>COUNTY REFERENDUM</u></b> – (not later than 130 days before next succeeding General Election) Last day to file a County referendum petition with the County Clerks for signature verification.	295.140(2)
JULY 7, 2008	<b><u>COUNTY CLERK/REGISTRAR TO FILE VERIFIED STATE REFERENDUM PETITION</u></b> – (not less than 120 days before the next succeeding general election) Last day County Clerk/Registrar shall file a verified state referendum petition with the Secretary of State.	295.045(2)
AUG. 6, 2008	<b><u>INITIATIVE PETITION AMENDING CONSTITUTION</u></b> – (90 days before General Election) Last day County Clerk/Registrar to file an initiative petition amending the Nevada Constitution with the Secretary of State after signature verification.	Nevada Constitution, Art. 19, Sec. 2(4)

<b>AUG. 15, 2008</b>	<b><u>CHALLENGE OF MINOR POLITICAL PARTY</u> – (3<sup>rd</sup> Friday in August)</b> Last day to file challenge against a minor political party’s qualifications with appropriate filing officer.	<b>293.174(1)</b>
<b>SEPT. 25, 2008</b>	<b><u>PREPARE ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR RESIDENTS OUTSIDE THE STATE</u> – (not later than 40 days before General Election)</b> County Clerks/Registrars to prepare and distribute absent ballots to residents outside the state no later than this date.	<b>293.309(2)(b)</b>
<b>SEPT. 30, 2008</b>	<b><u>PUBLISH LIST OF REGISTERED VOTERS</u> – (not less than 2 weeks before the close of registration for the General Election)</b> No later than this date, the County Clerk/Registrar may cause to be published in a newspaper an alphabetical listing of all registered voters, including the precinct of each voter OR a statement notifying the public that the County Clerk/Registrar will provide an alphabetical listing of registered voters free of charge to any person upon request.	<b>293.557(2)(b)</b>
<b>OCT. 6, 2008</b>	<b><u>PUBLISH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND STATEWIDE MEASURES</u> – (on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday in October and 2 additional times at intervals of no less than 7 days)</b> On or before this date, the County Clerk/Registrar shall cause to be published for the first time, in a newspaper of general circulation, the full text, condensation explanation, arguments, rebuttals, and fiscal notes of any constitutional amendment or measure. If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest county in the State.	<b>293.253(3)</b>
<b>OCT. 4, 2008 through OCT. 18, 2008</b>	<b><u>VOTING SYSTEM PRE-LAT TEST REQUIRED BEFORE EARLY VOTING</u> – (not earlier than 2 weeks before and not later than 5 p.m. on the day before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of early voting)</b> Period during which the County Clerk/Registrar must conduct the required Pre-Lat test for mechanical recording device or automatic tabulating equipment and programs.	<b>293B.150</b>
<b>OCT. 20, 2008</b>	<b><u>PUBLISHING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND STATEWIDE MEASURES</u> - (to be published in the county at intervals of not less than 7 days, the first publication to be on or before 1<sup>st</sup> Monday in October)</b> On this date, County Clerk/Registrar shall cause to be published for the third time, in a newspaper of general circulation, the full text, condensation, explanation, arguments, rebuttals and fiscal notes of any constitutional amendment or measure. If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest county in the State.	<b>293.253(3)</b>
<b>NOV. 11, 2008</b>	<b><u>INITIATIVE PETITION TO PROPOSE A NEW STATUTE OR AMEND AN EXISTING ONE</u> - (not later than the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in November of an even-numbered year)</b> Last date to submit a statutory initiative petition to the County Clerk/Registrar for verification of signatures.	<b>295.056(2)</b>
<b>JAN. 3, 2009</b>	<b><u>FILING OF INITIATIVE PETITION TO PROPOSE NEW STATUTE OR AMEND EXISTING STATUTE</u> - (not less than 30 days before a regular session of the Legislature)</b> Last day for County Clerk/Registrar to file an initiative petition with the Secretary of State after signature verification.	<b>Nevada Constitution Art. 19, Sec. 2(3)</b>